

PATENT Atty. Docket No. 29997/035A

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

| Applicant(s): Malackowski et al. |) Title: SURGERY SYSTEM |
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| Serial No: 09/764,609 |) Group Art Unit: 3739 |
| Filed: January 17, 2001 | Examiner: John P. Leubecker |
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME **UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)**

Commissioner of Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) for a one month extension of time.

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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING (37 CFR 1.8)

I hereby certify that this paper and the documents referred to as enclosed therewith are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail, postage prepaid, on November 21, 2003, in an envelope addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

J. William Frank, III

Reg. No. 25,626

1. Extension of Time

This is a petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136 for the total number of months checked below:

| EXTENSION (Months) | FEE FOR LARGE ENTITY | | FEE FOR SMALL ENTITY |
|--------------------|----------------------|------------|----------------------|
| One Month | X | \$110.00 | \$55.00 |
| Two Months | | \$420.00 | \$210.00 |
| Three Months | | \$950.00 | \$475.00 |
| Four Months | | \$1,480.00 | \$740.00 |
| Five Months | | \$2,010.00 | \$1,005.00 |

If an additional Extension of Time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

Extension Fee Due With This Request: \$110.00

2. Method of Payment of Fees

Attached is a check in the amount of

\$110.00

A copy of this Petition is enclosed.

3. Deposit Account and Refund Authorization

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the amount enclosed or any additional fees which may be required during the pendency of this application under 37 CFR 1.16 or 37 CFR 1.17 to Deposit Account No. 50-1903. A copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Please refund any overpayment to McCracken and Frank at the address below.

Respectfully submitted,

McCracken and Frank

November 21, 2003

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